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Partoons and Pomments

WHAT WE OWE THE CIVIL WAR.

THE Civil War did more than free the slaves. It saved the United States

from going irretrievably to smash. When the war was on in deadly earnest, the Government at Washington had to provide an enormous revenue to pay expenses. Among other means to this end was the war tariff, and it is to this war tariff that the country owes its salvation. Had it not been for the civil strife, there would have been no war tariff. And had there been no war tariff, industry and enterprise in the United States would have been paralyzed. This

is neither a rash nor a foolish statement, for the tariff imposed by the Government to help to pay the cost of the Civil War has never been really repealed, and now it is a common thing for High Protectionists to claim that without this tariff American industries would be swamped, ruined by the competition of other countries. What would have happened long before this had there been no clash between the North and South is easily conjectured. The United States would have gone into bankruptcy. The line of soup-kitchens would have reached from 'Quoddy Bay to the Gulf of California. Is not this an awful thought? What is the mere achievement of Emancipation in comparison with that greater, nobler achievement, the establishment of a subsidy for American industry so that it can exist? Truly, the Civil War was not How we fought in vain. survived the critical years before it will ever remain a mystery, for if industries when they are old-established and strong cannot exist with-

out a tariff subsidy from the

Government, how did they manage to exist without one when they were young and weak?

When rogues fall out, there is a widespread rumor that honest men get their due. Perhaps it is so. When political parties fall out, honest men may not get all that is coming to them, but at all events they learn a lot of interesting things they never knew before. Those dear old friends of previous campaigns, John D. Archbold and his famous "certificates of deposit," have bobbed up again; this

time in the vicinity of Senator Penrose. For their appearance the public was indebted to Boss Flinn of the "Down-with-Bosses" party, whose object just at present is to put Penrose in a hole and keep him there. Penrose comes back with the information that whatever Archbold money was loose in the days referred to went to help elect Theodore Roosevelt President, when the Colonel was a "practical" man. So it goes. Our only comment on the matter is that every day makes the hopelessness of the Republican split more apparent, and that every day some-

body makes the mistake of talking too much. The Democrats, in this campaign, are just the opposite. For a party whose normal state for years was a wide-open split, their harmony is marvelous and their self-restraint sublime. There are, or were, factions in plenty, but not even BRYAN is calling attention to them. The Donkey was something of a brayer in his time, but when it comes to trumpeting the Elephant outclasses him.

THE Hon. BOURKE COCKRAN chooses to support Colonel ROOSEVELT rather than Governor Wilson for the Presidency. "I do not know what WILSON stands for," he says; "he is a man agreeable to everyone." This, it seems to us, should endear WILSON to COCKRAN, instead of impressing the latter unfavorably, for certainly no one knows what BOURKE COCKRAN stands for politically. He has stood for such opposites in the political game that one is forced to the conclusion that BOURKE must be a very "agreeable" man indeed.



"THESE GLASSES BRING IT VERY CLOSE TO ME."



ONE AND INSEPARABLE.

THE GIRL.—There goes Mother.
THE BOY.—How do you know?
THE GIRL.—Stupid! Can't you recognize our dog?

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

HEAR the sinking sun sets all the sky aglow,
Hear the voices of the people sad and low.
As they pass along the street,
You can hear them oft repeat:
"That McCarthy, there on second, ought to go!"

Hear the voices of the people low and sad —
Business men and clerk and barkeep, lass and lad.
Hear them chant the same refrain
O'er and o'er and o'er again:
"If they'd get a decent umpire I'd be glad!"

Hear the voices of the people overcast
With a woe and with a sadness deep and vast.

-As they move along the way,
You can hear them sadly say:

"If the pitcher had n't weakened toward the last!"

Hear the voices of the people going by.

See them turn to one another with a sigh.

Hear them saying dolefully,

In a mournful minor key:

"If McManus had n't dropped that easy fly!"

Walter G. Doty

TOO PARTICULAR.

"I UNDERSTAND Pierpont Morgan recently paid \$200,000 for a Rastus vase."

"Rastus nothing; you mean Jasper!"
"Oh, well, what's the difference? I knew it belonged to some colored family!"

WORLD POLITICS FEMINIZED.

ROM the Palais Augustenburg, Gotha, Germany, comes a letter to the London Daily Mail concerning that dream of colonial expansion which has long been thought uppermost in the Teutonic mind. This letter makes Germany's intentions as clear as crystal. Germany, it seems, does not threaten to despoil Albion of her colonies. "I am sure the English people have the mistaken idea that

we should seize them," says this inspired writer. "But what we do want, and will have, is the Argentine. The Americans are rich, but on the whole not patriotic enough to protect themselves. England once out of the way, South America will be ours, to be colonized by our flesh and blood." The name signed to this extraordinary document is Hildegard von Hulton.

Prophetic, sinister, and most cognizant Hildegard! Here is a politician to be reckoned with. Little have
we thought, in our complacent security,
that overseas, in the heart of the European continent, there was one soul
unafraid, one female warrior unbrowbeaten by our grotesque Monroe Doctrine. Hildegard speaks right out.
We never heard of her before; that is
not, however, to her discredit; and we
shall certainly hear from her again.
Hildegard von Hulton! A name to go

skyhooting through the upper air of destiny! Male statesmen inquire, contemplate, consider, advance, retreat, qualify, ratiocinate—and do nothing. Frau Hildegard goes to the point, like a woman. Germany needs South America. Well, then, 't is Germany's. Does anyone say nay? 'S death! Ods-bodikins! By our halidome! Soak 'em one behind the ear!

Ten to one Hildegard is a good wife and mother. There is no reason to suppose anything Amazonic about her, though her cry is warlike and her words filled with the dread portent of approaching strife. It would not surprise us to learn that she leads a simple domestic life in the Palais; that her pumpernickel is delightfully heavy and her German pancakes as fluffy as the fleece of lambs.

But let us hope that Frau Hildegard will recognize the Marquis of Queensberry rules of the war-game to the extent, at least, of recalling the German ministers and issuing warnings before beginning to shell the poor defenseless cities of our Atlantic coast.



THE INFERENCE.

JONES.—I want to deposit the sum of ten dollars.

RECKIVING-TELLER (who knows him).—What! Have you sold your car?

If you are always up and doing you will pretty certainly never find your-self down and out.

FROM ELEVEN P.M. ON.



footing it around among the capts in search of Bohemia. Nowadays the cry is "Cet out and see life!" It sounds great, and is a splendid excuse for coming home late with an edge on. So, instead of the red-ink table d'able of other days, we hunt up a capt all nicely done in three shades of red with plenty of gold stucco and festoons of red incandeacent lights overhead to imitate bunches of grapes (if the ceiling is roomy enough and the decorators can croom where all who do not want to may check their hats and sticks; an all-night license, and a cabaret show in imitation of something that never happens in that dear Paris. Outly too often the license also utrus out to be initiation. The prices, however, are very, very real. Reverybody, from the man who did the article in

the June Scribble's entitled "Shall we Send our Girls to College?" to the re shipping-clerk in the wholesale-fruit district, is there "seeing life." The large ob blonde woman at the next table, with the Mary Garden perfume, has come in the all the way from Mount Vernon with her husband to "see life." She is trying of to act gay and care-free, just the way they do in the French Restaurant scene his in the Zeigfeld rewa. Across from her table is a party of four from up the his State. They have forgotten to eat, listen to the cabaret lady, or do anything yet but watch Mrs. Mount Vernon. Maybe she is an activast! Yee! They are sure as of it! She is Lillian Russell—for has n't she got blonde hair? She nudges Will she and tells him not to look just now, but there are some very interesting people has and tells him not to look just now, but there are some very interesting people has one there. She is sure they must do something. This is "seeing life!" he is an

reporting on an evening paper "for the experience." They give him the oblituaries to do. Just now he is having a beautiful time getting right next to human nature, and thinking beautiful thoughts about the show-grity creation three tables away with the proud, scornful face. Is she thinking of those dear half-forgotten days when she was a simple, artless girl, before the cruel-city led her on? Ah, Life! What does it all mean anyway? Whereupon the literary young man will weep into a perfectly good glass of beer and feel better. Now as a matter of fact, the show-grity person is thinking to herself that maybe she did wrong in having that skirt altered that her feet burt her, and oh, to he home and in bed! There you are! And to morrow, when the hang-over has won off, the literary young man will write home and tell them how virile and resal and big this cofe lites.



WHY HE WAS THERE.

St. Peter.—Step right over yonder, and Gabriel will give you a pair of wings.

AVIATOR'S SPIRIT. - Not for me, thanks. I fell a thousand feet only yesterday!

DOGS AND ME.

OMETIMES, in Central Park, we kids
Go marching two by two,
In our best orphan uniforms
Made out of gingham blue.
The matron walks behind us all
To watch that we are good,—
I guess we have as fine a time
As proper orphans could.

The carriages go spinning past
As fast as they can go,
With lap-dogs—ev'ry sort of one—
Just like a circus show!
I'd like to be somebody's pet,
Go out each day to ride,
And have a lady kiss my nose
And hug me to her side.

She said it took hard cash to buy
A thoroughbred canine,
No lady could afford to trade
Her doggie's life for mine.
She said those lucky lap-dogs had
A first-class pedigree,
That's diff'rent from an orphan child
Without a guarantee.

When I'm back in the 'sylum walls, I lie there in the dark
And think about those happy dogs
I saw in Central Park.
I asked our matron if I were
As good as good could be—
Might not some lovely lady wish
To trade her dog for me?

I'm just a bargain-counter kid
Whom no one cares to buy.
Sometimes I feel so lonesome that
It almost makes me cry.
Perhaps I'm naughty, jealous, bad,
But when I figure up
I don't see why a real nice child
Can't rise above a pup!

Marion Sbort.

The distinction between the classes and the masses seems to rest, in the last analysis, on the fact that some of us are some class, but the most of us are nothing but mass.

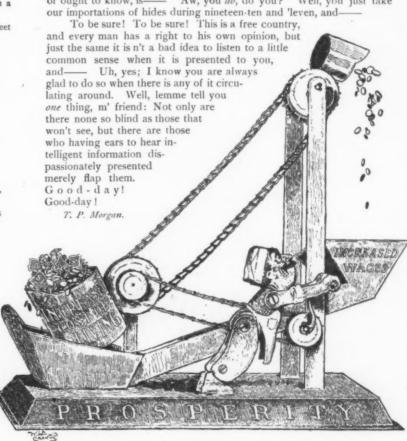
WHEN RIDDLES RAGE.

In days of old when knights were bold and humbler folks were shy, the riddle as a form of sport was rated very high. In every castle of repute, to help along the cheer, a riddler tame was kept on pay, and riddled by the year. When from the fight returned the knight, back to his don-john keep, the riddler with a brand-new rid would riddle him to sleep. And older yet, it's safe to bet, the riddle's record ran, back to the place where Adam dug and Eve, his good wife, span.

In fact, all through the ages, riddles have raged, and they are still at it with undiminished vigor. For instance, the justly-celebrated riddle of the Sphinx, the answer to which was—er—lez see, now; well, I did know, but it seems to have slipped me. And there were the gaudy brain-rackers that stumped our sage grandsires, like "What is it that is black without and yellow within, with something in the middle that goes 'Poo, Poo'?" the answer to which was "A kettle of boiling hasty-pudding!" And the anagrams and acrostics and rebuses of our own boyhood days, which appeared in the right-hand column of the next-to-the-last page, and informed us that "My first is in beauty but not in pride, my second is in secret but not in hide," and so forth. I am not certain now whether this form was an anagram, or what, but all the same I was right good at 'em then, but somehow as a feller grows older—

"But, anyhow, the riddle rages as persistently to-day as it ever did, and intrudes itself into our serenity with as much pertinacity. And although its form has changed, the answer is as elusive as ever. Rankling in our midst are many riddles which obfuscate the very brightest of us. I am ready to confess that the matrimonial riddle completely puzzles me! Why, while we are at it, is a woman's dead first husband so blame' much superior to her living second husband? Why will a meek little runt of a man insist upon marrying a commanding condor of a woman? How can two live as cheaply as one, when they can't? If we are married or single or widowed or widowered, why don't we want to stay so? Then comes the great riddle of all: Why does a woman—but of course you know, if you are not married you don't know, and if you are married, of course, you know you don't know, though possibly you don't know why you don't know. And there you are!

Also, why should n't the hair grow out on a bald head every spring the same as grass on a hillside? And there are the riddles of politics. Why in mercy's name will men rend the empyrean and their best clothes in that foolish and profitless of all pursuits, arguing politics?—in those everlasting wrangles, for instance, about the tariff, that everybody knows, or ought to know, is— Aw, you do, do you? Well, you just take our importations of hides during nineteen-ten and 'leven, and—



AROUND AND AROUND AND ROUND.

Hair falls much in the manner of rain, neither the just nor the unjust being altogether exempt.

THE MOTHER'S POINT OF VIEW.

or seeing things from their own point of view and seeing things entirely different from the way others see them, I recommend you to mothers!

To a mother her children never grow up. She goes right along talking about them as if they were still infants.

For instance, there is Sandy McTish. He has hands like pile-drivers and his feet look like Ionic masonry. He has red bristles all over his face, and has been known to lick seven or eight men at once. If a buzz-saw came in contact with Sandy, he'd nick the buzz-saw. Buckshot would n't even tickle him. He has committed aggravated forms of every clime. He does n't mind dynamite at all, and often eats nitroglycerine on his batter-cakes.

But hear his mother talk about him! She tells anecdotes about him saying "Me teepy." She sees nothing ridiculous about alluding She sees nothing ridiculous about alluding to this creature with a paint-brush beard and crab-apple knuckles as a delicate cherub with toes like beautiful pink rose petals, happy in his bath, and possessed of an appetite for the wash-rag, a yearning for the stove-poker, and a passion for the coal-bucket.



When it had been raining a day or two, Noah was seen to take a sample of the water in a bottle.

"How now?" the scoffing neighbors cried, around the Ark.

"It would be a joke," answered Noah, "if the Ark were not to contain pairs of the germs of all the ills to which posterity will sooner or later find itself heir."

But such distinguished foresight was more than the neighbors could fathom, and they exploded forthwith in gales of derisive merriment.



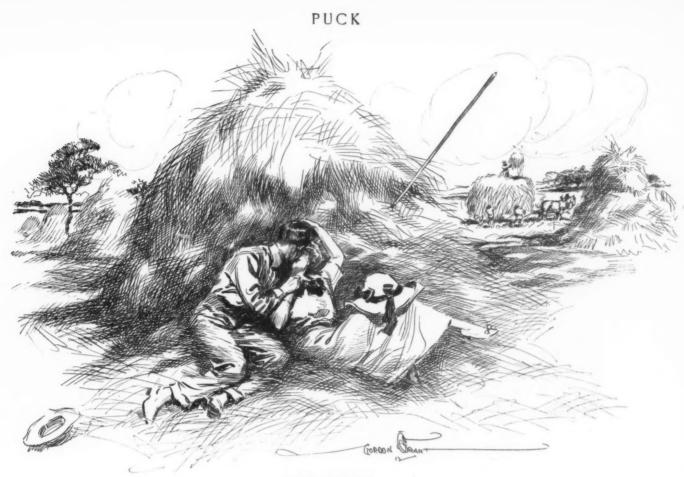
AT THE POLITICAL COUNTY FAIR.

TIME THE FAKIR. - Step up! Step right up, and guess which shell the little pea of victory is under!

THERE is a good deal of satisfaction to be had from comparing other people's faults with our own virtues.



AN OLD MASTER ON THE JOB.



HAY-FEVER.



The biggest oat-crop on record, produced in a year when the automobile has been superseding the horse at a faster rate than ever before! What's the answer?

Breakfast-food instead of meat.

After a while, perhaps, we'll get into Nebuchad-nezzar's class and eat hay.

THE members of the committee which has been investigating U.S. Steel having finished their various reports, Chairman Stanley recently got the House to set aside a day for discussion of the findings.

to set aside a day for discussion of the findings. The beginning of the speeches found as many as twenty-five Representatives on the floor.

The truth of the matter is that the country is sick of investigations. If they got anywhere, if anything worth knowing were brought to light, it wouldn't be so bad. But, as these various investigations have been conducted, their results have been absolutely nil. It has simply been a continuous waste of time and money.

How is it, then, that these "investigations" get started?

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It's like this. The gentleman from Tallapaloosa decides that if he is to give his constituents their money's worth he'll have to get busy and get his name in the papers. So he picks out some "Trust"—any old Trust will do—and proposes to the House that he be made the chairman of a committee to investigate its affairs. The other Representatives don't want any such investigation, but they're afraid to say anything against it—a nice position a

member would be in, attempting to defend one of these big companies and keep its affairs from being looked into! And so the investigation goes on, not because there is any need for it, but because somebody wants to make capital out of it and everybody else is afraid to stop him.

A MAN went to a new town and started a bank. He called it the Dealers and Traders'. At the end of three months, no deposits having come in, he changed the name to the Prospectors and Brokers'. Three months more with nothing doing. "Guess I must be off the track," he finally said to himself. "I'll call it the Diggers and Pluggers'." He did, and to-day it's the biggest bank in town.

"Down here in Wall Street they 're always 'waiting' for something," remarked a disgruntled customer in one of the big houses that specializes in "Coppers." "I come down here and buy some stuff, and it either goes down in price or else stands as still as though it were chained to the Rock of Ages. Igo to Smith over there, and say: 'Smith, what's the matter with this stock you told me to buy? It's anchored. It doesn't move.' 'Just wait a couple of days for the crop report,' Smith replies, 'that'll start 'em up.'

"Crop report comes out—no effect. 'Must be waiting for the Steel Company's report on unfilled orders,' Smith says. That comes. Still nothing doing. 'I tell you what it is,' Smith remarks confidentially, 'this market is waiting to get a line on the drift of political sentiment. Soon as it gets a little clearer who 's going to be elected we'll get some action.'

"'After that it'll be something else. It always is. And in the meantime we poor devils of customers are paying enough in interest to keep the whole show going."

"I HAVE a couple of hundred dollars which I think I want to invest in U. S. Steel Common," ran a letter recently received by one of the big stock houses. "I am very careful about my investments and only make them after full investigation. So please look into the affairs of this company for

me and report what you find out. Don't send me

me and report what you find out. Don't send me the ordinary earnings statement or anything like that. When I invest this money I want to be sure of what I am doing."

Did the young member of the firm who received this letter rend it in pieces and burst into profane speech and tear his hair? Did he raise his hands and call upon a just heaven to witness the conditions under which he was to gain a livelihood? Did he laugh bitterly at the pass to which things have come? First Answer: He did.

Second and Correct Answer: He did n't. A smile, on the contrary, came over his face. He rang his buzzer for the firm's statistician. "Here," he said, "take this letter and give it good attention. It's the only order in this morning's mail." Franklin.



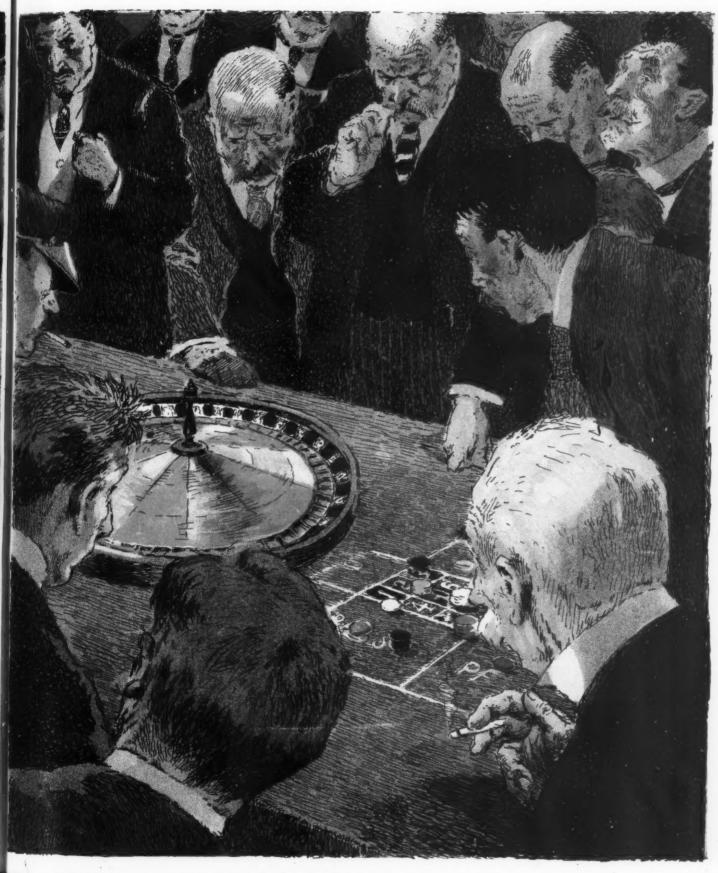
BY THEIR FRUITS YE SHALL KNOW THEM.

Come men are born great," and in many cases that was the only chance they ever had.



WATCHING THE TAPE OR WATCHING THE WEEL.

If it is legal to gamble in Wall Street, with a't it le



HE WHEEL — WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE MORALLY?

BEGUILED.

DOME plain people were accosted by

a party of patriots.

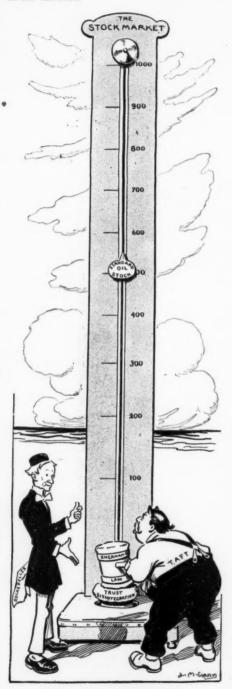
"Look!" cried the patriots.

"The country is in danger.

Pray put your shoulders to the wheel and save it."

The plain people did as they were bidden, after which they examined, with more attention, the mechanism of the wheel and its peculiar construction.

"Why, it's only the wheel of a band-wagon!" they exclaimed, in considerable disgust, while the laughter of the patriots, muffled only by their sleeves, could be heard in the distance.



TRY YOUR STRENGTH.

ROCKEFELLER. - Soak it some more, Mr. President. A big strong man like you ought to be able to ring the bell!



NOWADAYS.

MRS. GAYSETT .- Billy, who is that woman over by the curb? MR. GAYSETT. - That one? Why, she is the second wife of the third husband of

THE HUSBAND WHO LEARNED.

THERE was once a Husband who was very much in Love with his Wife. It was Common Talk among their Circle of Acquaintances that he was Simply Crazy about her. Every Night he hurried Home from the Office in order to be with her as much as possible. He paid no Attention to Other Women except to be studiously Polite and Courteous when Occasion Offered.

One day he discovered that, for some Reason or other which he could n't Make Out, his Wife had become Insanely Jealous of him. He was very much worried at this, partly because there

was no Ground for it and partly because he did not Know How to cure her of it. He Pondered and Pondered. First, he tried being still more Attentive to her. But this only made it Worse, for she Believed he

was doing it merely to allay her Suspicions. At last, after he had tried everything else he Could Think of, but to no Avail, he said to Himself in Grim Despair: "Inasmuch as my Wife is jealous without Cause, it is quite Evident she does n't Know What a Cause is. It is my Duty, therefore, as a Kind and Loving Husband, to show her. Therrshe will Realize how Unjust toward me she has been." Accordingly, he sought a Man of his Acquaintance whom he Knew to be be Popular in a Number of Different Sets that had no Respect for the Speed Limit.

"I want to show my Wife a Real Cause for Jealousy," he said to his Friend, and explained his Plan.

"It is somewhat Illogical," said the Friend.

"I know it," said the Husband, "but it an Illogical Situation and requires an Illogical Treatment."

The Friend was a Good Teacher and the Husband was an Apt Pupil. He was soon Initiated into all the Mysteries of the Great White Way, from Café to Cabaret, from Cocktail to Curaçoa. As he was Thorough in Everything he did, he Spared no Pains to show

his Wife in the Last Place how Innocent he had been in the First Place. He became Adept at missing Dinner, and his Latchkey took on a Brilliant Polish from Constant Usage.

"What Effect is it having on Your Wife?"

asked his Friend one Evening.
"Strange," said the Husband. "I can't understand it at all, but it does n't seem to Work. She is getting more Jealous all the Time. But that does n't Worry me so much. What 's still more Strange is the Effect it's having upon Me."
"What do you mean?" asked the Friend.

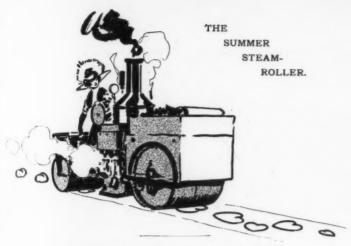
"Why, I'm really Getting so I don't care whether my Wife is Jealous or not."

Moral. - Don't let an Old Dog learn new Tricks. Ellis O. Jones.



A MERCILESS HIGHWAYMAN. MR. JAGSBY .- Can't hold 'em up mush longer thish way, ol' man!

raft, and the world grafts with you; be honest, and the world will consider you impractical.



HITTING BELOW THE BLACK BELT.

(AT THE G. O. P. CONVENTION.)

BLACK SHEEP, black sheep, have you any wool?" "Yes, sir, yes, sir, ten States full;

Wool from Alabama, and from sunny Tennessee: Wool from Mississippi, and some more from Kissimee;

Wool from Tuscaloosa, Tallahassee, and Yazoo; Wool from Texarkana, Baton Rouge, and Mobile, too." "Here is money, black sheep; come, I wish you well!" "Sorry, Mister Teddy, but we have no wool to sell."

"Black sheep, black sheep, see, I am your friend! I loved you at the very start, I love you to the end. Like to see you get ahead, like to see you win; Never liked the shearers, boys; hate 'em all like sin! I will make you sleek and fat if you will help me out, I will load your palates with the greenest grass about. Black sheep, black sheep, 'ware the bosses' craft!"
"Sorry, Mister Teddy, but we 're here to vote for Taft."

(AT THE BULL MOOSE CONVENTION.)

"Black sheep, black sheep, I don't want your wool."

"Golly, Mister Teddy, here's a black belt full!"

"Black sheep, black sheep, I don't want to buy."

"Lordy, Mister Teddy, won't you come and tell us why? Don't you recomember that you is our bestest friend?

You're the pusson what declared you loved us to the end."

"Black sheep, black sheep, you and I must part."
"Lan' sakes, Mister Teddy! What has happened to yo' heart?"

"Black sheep, black sheep, you're blocking up the road! Don't you know your crinkly fleece would be a heavy load? Of course I have a claim on you, but what you fail to see Is that it is n't mutual,—you have n't one on me. For you are just a black, black sheep,-related to the goat,-While I'm a noble candidate-and you can't cast a vote! "But, Mister Teddy, stop a bit; you needed us before."

"Times have changed, oh, black sheep, and I need your masters more!"

Stanley Quinn.

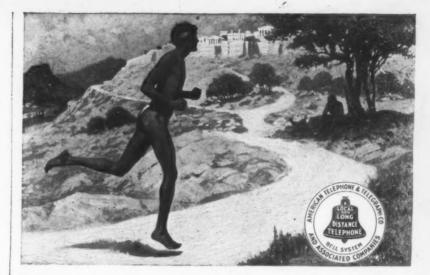


THE FIRST KICKER.

FIRST PREHISTORIC MAN. - Then you don't approve of cooking and manual

ing in the schools?

SECOND PREHISTORIC MAN.—It's a shameful waste of the taxpayers' money. That daughter of mine has had two years of it, and she can't fry a dinosaur fit to eat: while my son, who has been at it just as long, has carved a club that I would n't trust to black the eye of a baby mammoth!



Message Bearers Ancient and Modern

Pheidippides, the most noted runner of ancient Greece, made a record and an everlasting reputation by speeding 140 miles from Athens to Sparta in less than two days.

Runners trained to perfection composed the courier service for the transmission of messages in olden times. But the service was so costly it could be used only in the interest of rulers on occasions of utmost importance.

The Royal messenger of ancient times has given way to the democratic telephone of to-day. Cities, one hundred or even two thousand miles apart, are connected in a few seconds, so that message and answer follow one another as if two persons were talking in the same

This instantaneous telephone service not only meets the needs of the State in great emergencies, but it meets the daily needs of millions of the plain people. There can be no quicker service than that which is everywhere at the command of the humblest day laborer.

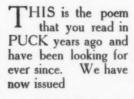
Inventors have made possible communication by telephone service. The Bell System, by connecting seven million people together, has made telephone service so inexpensive that it is used twenty-five million times a day.

Captains of war and industry might, at great expense, establish their own exclusive telephone lines, but in order that any person having a telephone may talk with any other person having a telephone, there must be One System, One Policy and Universal Service.

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The teacher had the letters c-a-t on the blackboard and was trying to teach little Pansy Peevish to pronounce the word, but Pansy could n't quite come to it.

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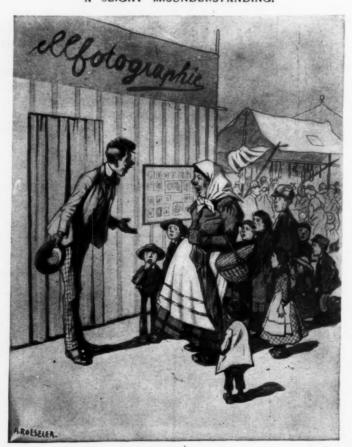
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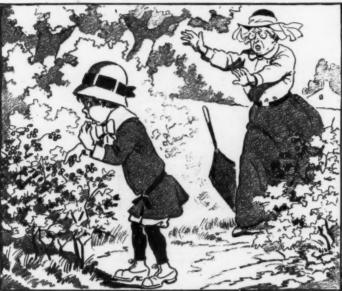
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